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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Bengt GUSS et al. Confirmation No: 1848
Application No. : 10/806,288
Filed : March 23, 2004
Title : NEW FIBRINOGEN BINDING PROTEIN ORIGINATING
FROM COAGULASE-NEGATIVE STAPHYLOCOCCUS

TC/A.U. : 1645
Examiner : S.J.N. Devi

Docket No. : GUSS3001D/REF
Customer No. : 23364

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for ONE (1) month to December 15, 2004.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) for a one month extension of time is \$120.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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